CHARACTERS IN THE PLAY

DIONYSUS, THE GOD; son of Zeus and of the Theban princess Semele.

CADMUS, formerly King of Thebes, father of Semele.

PENTHEUS, King of Thebes, grandson of Cadmus.

AGAVE, daughter of Cadmus, mother of Pentheus.

TIRESIAS, an aged Theban prophet.

A SOLDIER OF PENTHEUS' GUARD.

Two MESSENGERS.

A CHORUS OF INSPIRED DAMSELS, following Dionysus from the East.

* The play was first produced after the death of Euripides by his son, who bore the same name, together with the Iphigenia in Aulis and the Alcmaeon probably in the year 405 B.C.